

Board of Community Health  
Meeting  
October 13, 2016

**Members Present**

Norman Boyd  
Roger Folsom  
Russ Childers  
Allana Cummings  
Mark Trail  
Russell Crutchfield  
Anthony Williamson

**Members Absent**

Donna Thomas Moses  
Michael Kleinpeter

The Board of Community Health held its regularly scheduled meeting at the Department of Community Health (DCH), Fifth Floor Board Room, 2 Peachtree Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia. (An agenda and a List of Attendees are attached hereto and made official parts of these Minutes as Attachments #1 and #2). Chairman Norman Boyd presided and called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

**Minutes**

The Minutes of the September 8, 2016 meetings were unanimously approved.

**Opening Comments**

Chairman Boyd announced that Commissioner Reese will not be in attendance and will provide a Commissioner's report at the November 10, 2016 Board meeting.

**Committee Reports**

Policy Committee Chairman, Roger Folsom shared the following topics of discussion from their meeting:

Committee members in attendance: Roger Folsom, Russell Crutchfield and Russ Childers.

- Guest speaker, LaSharn Hughes, Executive Director, Georgia Board for Physician Workforce presented to the Committee an overview of the Board's functions and programs.

Care Management Committee member, Allana Cummings shared the following topics of discussion from their meeting:

Committee members in attendance: Allana Cummings and Anthony Williamson.

- Guest speaker, Rena Brewer, CEO, Global Partnership for Telehealth (GPT) presented a demonstration of live telehealth capabilities using an Emergency Medical Services (EMS) type unit.
- Care Management Organizations (CMOs) telehealth initiatives.
- CMO procurement updates.

Audit Committee Chairman, Norman Boyd shared the following topics of discussion from their meeting:

Committee members in attendance: Norman Boyd and Mark Trail.

- FY2016 Independent Audit

Areas where auditors noted corrective actions:

- Receivables
- Verification/documentation
- P-Cards

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Measurement Scale



Zero red, one yellow and five greens

- Ed Kemp, Deputy Director, Georgia Department of Audits and Accounts (DOAA) advised that the audit is on track.
- The next scheduled meeting will take place in January 2017.

### **Commissioner's Report**

None to report.

Marcey Alter, Assistant Chief of Medicaid for Policy and Provider Services, presented the Community Behavioral Health Rehabilitation Services State Plan Amendment Public Notice to the Board for final adoption.

Ms. Alter summarized the major changes in the Amendment which included new services and other administrative, technical, and procedural modifications.

All of the new services are for children, youth and families. They include Intensive Customized Care Coordination (ICC), a high fidelity wraparound case management service for children and youth with serious emotional disturbance provided at a greater frequency and intensity than is customarily delivered under traditional case management. Additionally, following the adult model already established in the State Plan, two new Peer Support services would be added including Youth Peer Support and Parent Peer Support.

Two questions were submitted asking for clarification about the technical modifications. Both questions were about removing the specific naming of certain credentialing bodies and licensure nomenclature from the State Plan. These questions were answered and it was explained that the requirements for accreditation and licensure were not being removed, only the specific names. Going forward this will mitigate the risk of needing to amend the State Plan every time the name of an agency changes or when a licensure body alters the naming convention of certain credentialing.

A Board member asked if the providers of the proposed Youth and Parent Peer Support services would also be certified like the current Adult Peer Specialists. Ms. Alter responded in the affirmative.

An opportunity for public comment was held on September 21, 2016 at 10:30 a.m. at the Department of Community Health (2 Peachtree Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303) in the 5th Floor Board Room. Written comments were accepted on or before September 28, 2016. No oral comments were received. One written comment was received from the Association of Community Services Boards which fully supported the changes proposed. Ms. Alter respectfully asked for the Board's favorable consideration of final adoption.

Mark Trail MADE a MOTION to approve for final adoption the Community Behavioral Health Rehabilitation Services State Plan Amendment Public Notice. Roger Folsom SECONDED the MOTION. ON THE MOTION, the yeas were 7, nays 0, abstained 0, and the MOTION was APPROVED. (A copy of the Community Behavioral Health Rehabilitation Services State Plan Amendment Public Notice is attached hereto and made an official part of these minutes as Attachment #3).

Marcey Alter, Assistant Chief of Medicaid for Policy and Provider Services, presented the New Options Waiver (NOW) Program Amendment Public Notice to the Board for final adoption.

Ms. Alter explained that the proposed rate increases would make commensurate the rates for similar services which had already been reviewed in the Comprehensive Support Services Waiver (COM) Public Notice and approved by the DCH Board.

A Board member asked if the state share funding for these services were provided by an operating agency. Ms. Alter replied that yes. The Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities (DBHDD) will be responsible for the associated state share.

An opportunity for public comment was held on August 30, 2016 at 10:30 a.m. at the Department of Community Health (2 Peachtree Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303) in the 5th Floor Board Room. Written comments were accepted on or before September 12, 2016. There were no oral or written comments received. Ms. Alter respectfully asked for the Board's favorable consideration of final adoption.

Allana Cummings MADE a MOTION to approve for final adoption New Options Waiver (NOW) Program Amendment Public Notice. Anthony Williamson SECONDED the MOTION. ON THE MOTION, the yeas were 7, nays 0, abstained 0, and the MOTION was APPROVED. (A copy of the New Options Waiver (NOW) Program Amendment Public Notice is attached hereto and made an official part of these minutes as Attachment #4).

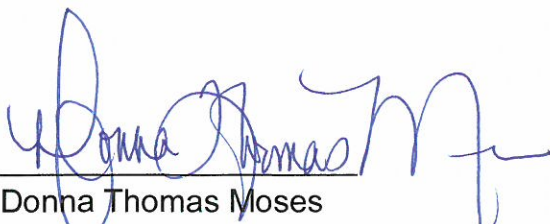
#### **New Business/Closing Comments**

Chairman Boyd announced that the next scheduled Board meeting will take place on November 10, 2016 at 10:30 a.m.

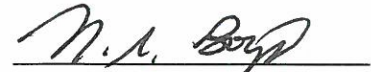
#### **Adjournment**

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, Chairman Norman Boyd adjourned the meeting at 10:53 a.m.

THESE MINUTES ARE HEREBY APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS THE 13th DAY OF October, 2016.



Donna Thomas Moses  
Secretary



Norman Boyd  
Chairman

Official Attachments:

- #1 List of Attendees
- #2 Agenda
- #3 Community Behavioral Health Rehabilitation Services State Plan Amendment  
Public Notice
- #4 New Options Waiver (NOW) Program Amendment Public Notice